

Due to the confined nature of commercial passenger service, I believe that cell phone usage aboard commercial flights should be prohibited or, at the very least, limited to 15 or 20 minutes before landing.

The inability to move away from someone talking incessantly, loudly, obscenely, heatedly or otherwise on the phone a few inches away would be exceedingly annoying at best. In a worst case scenario, it could lead to a violent confrontation.

In flight cell phone use might also interfere with the announcements made by the cabin and flight crews as numerous cell phone users would add more noise to an already noisy cabin environment.

Also, considering how absorbed people can get in their conversations, they may fail to hear or ignore announcements made by the crew which could possibly cause problems with safety.